

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS

FRIDAY 21st JANUARY 2022



FABULOUS FOOTBALL!

Our football team played against Skinners Kent Primary School on Tuesday afternoon, and I am so pleased to report that they were the winning side, beating them 1-0! Well done to JJ for scoring the winning goal and to Billy and Kiyon for being excellent additions to the team. Mrs Hookway was very proud of everyone's performance so well done!

In our acts of worship this week, we have been thinking about all of the uses for water and where we can find water and we heard the story of the woman at the well. Children have been encouraged to reflect when they are washing their hands and think about how they are loved. Perhaps you could encourage this in your homes?

We have a high number of Covid cases again this week, so can I ask you to continue to remain vigilant and if you have access to lateral flow devices, test your child on Sunday evening. We have noticed that some pupils testing positive had no symptoms at all. Let's do our best to keep everyone in the school community safe.

I have been asking children about reading at home and have found that whilst lots of children read regularly, some children do not. This is the most important skill that you can help us to develop so I would ask you to ensure that this is happening at home. I know that everyone is busy but you can get some tips at <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/>

Thank you!

NEXT WEEK

Can I remind you to ensure that your child's uniform is clearly labelled with their name, including their coat. You would be surprised how much lost property is generated that is unnamed!

On days where children do not have PE, please can you ensure that they are wearing black school shoes. Trainers are only to be worn on PE days.

Over the last couple of weeks, staff have had training on a number of topics linked to anti-bullying. Our House Captains and Prefects have been working on a presentation that will be used in class with the children on this topic too. You might also want to discuss this with your child at home, so a useful link to assist this is <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-and-support/advice-parents-and-carers>

Have a good weekend!

Well done team!



FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



School News

YR	This week, we have been measuring different items inside and outside and comparing different lengths. We have designed our own vehicles and looked at road signs which we have tried to put into practice on the bike track! In RE we are looking at the Bible story of Zachaeus and talking about friendship.
Y1	Year 1 have really enjoyed finding out about food for rich and poor in 1966. We have role-played holding banquets and written lots of menus. We have compared how food has changed today and learnt about healthy eating, creating our own healthy meal models.
Y2	In Geography this term, we are learning about Jamaica and comparing life there with life here in the UK. This week we looked at the weather in Jamaica and were surprised to find out that they have a lot more rain than we do. They also have a lot more sunshine and it is warm all year round, so we decided it would be nice to go there for a holiday now!
Y3	We have used Microsoft PowerPoint to insert shapes to create pictures of bowls of fruit. We experimented with changing colours and shades, thickness of lines and using different patterns to make a finished picture. We have continued learning about growing bananas in Costa Rica.
Y4	Year 4 have had a fantastic week exploring how our digestive system works in Science. We really loved getting messy during our investigation! In Literacy we enjoyed designing our own persuasive posters about plastic pollution, using the acronym AFOREST to remind ourselves of our persuasive techniques.
Y5	We have turned our focus onto the detail of Hurricane Katrina to help prepare ourselves to write news reports next week. In art, we have continued to construct our paper sculptures, using spirals of paper to create tornado effects. We investigated friction and the grip on different shoes.
Y6	In RE, we have been thinking about pilgrimage and the meaning of the Islamic practice of Hajj. We have continued simplifying fractions and we have also been thinking about and discussing what other countries might benefit from Fair Trade support based on their human and physical geography.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL

MONDAYS

5S
5D

TUESDAYS

Owls
Robins
6W
6H

WEDNESDAY

3TWP
3DB
Kookaburras
Lorikeets
6H
6W

THURSDAY

3TWP
4R
4M
Kookaburras
Lorikeets

FRIDAY

Ducklings
Goslings
4R
4M
Owls
Robins

FOREST SCHOOL

NEXT WEEK

Kookaburras